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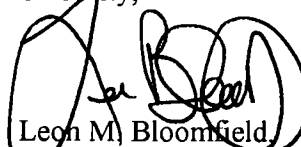
Dear Ms Dillon

Enclosed please find an original and fifteen copies of a Request for Extension in the above-captioned matter, which was e-mailed to Hearing Officer Stone earlier today

Please file the original and return a file-stamped copy to us in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope

Thank you for your assistance with this matter

Sincerely,



Leon M. Bloomfield
on behalf of the CMRS Providers

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Dear Hearing Officer Stone

In an effort to provide the TRA with the most complete and thorough analysis of the legal and factual issues presented at the recently concluded hearings, the CMRS Providers and the Rural Coalition Members jointly request that the current schedule for filing post-hearing briefs and reply briefs be extended by two weeks. Based on that extension, post-hearing briefs would be due on September 7, 2004 and reply briefs would be due on September 21, 2004.

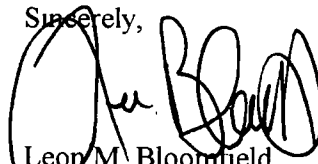
We would appreciate it if you could let us know if you and the TRA are amenable to such an extension as soon as possible.

In addition, the parties note that they continue to work together on the technical issue discussed at the hearing regarding the potential for Rural Coalition Members ability to independently measure and bill for CMRS traffic. To that end, the CMRS Providers intend to provide the Rural Coalition Members with a draft stipulation by tomorrow regarding this issue for review and comment by the Rural Coalition Members. All parties remain hopeful that they will be able to agree on a stipulation and submit it to the TRA prior to the filing of the briefs. If not, the parties will work together to propose a mutually agreeable process to you and the TRA, including the potential filing of supplemental testimony as discussed at the hearing.

Stephen Kraskin, counsel for the Coalition, has indicated agreement with this transmittal on behalf of the Coalition.

Thank you for your assistance with these matters.

Sincerely,



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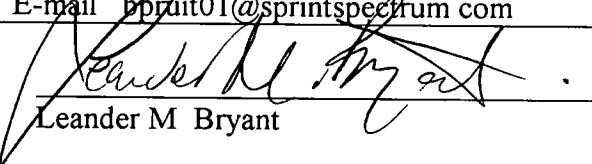
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